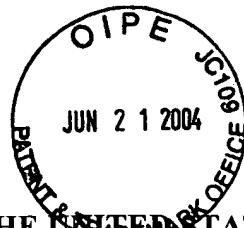


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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a four-month extension of time be granted in which to file an Appeal Brief in response to the Notice of Appeal received by the USPTO on December 15, 2003, said period of response being extended from February 15, 2004 to June 15, 2004.

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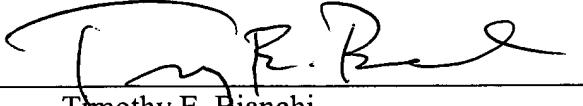
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